

# PRINCE OF PEACE LUTHERAN CHURCH

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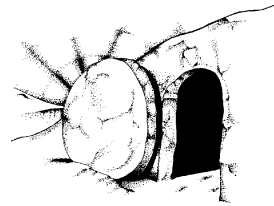
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*The Sunday after Easter*  
April 19, 2009



Pre-service Meditation

*Psalm 16 pg. 125*

Opening Hymn 201

*“Jesus Lives! The Victory’s Won”*

*Our Order of Worship:*  
Lutheran Hymnal pg. 5

*Psalm of the Day:*

(from 1 Peter 2:2-3 and Psalm 105)

- P:** As newborn babes,  
**C:** Desire the pure milk of the word,  
**P:** That you may grow thereby,  
**C:** If indeed you have tasted that the Lord is gracious.  
**P:** Oh, give thanks to the LORD! Call upon His name;  
**C:** Make known His deeds among the peoples!  
**P:** Sing to Him, sing psalms to Him;  
**C:** Talk of all His wondrous works!  
**P:** Glory in His holy name;  
**C:** Let the hearts of those rejoice who seek the LORD!  
**P:** Seek the LORD and His strength;  
**C:** Seek His face evermore!

- P:** Remember His marvelous works which He has done,  
**C:** His wonders, and the judgments of His mouth,  
**P:** He remembers His covenant forever,  
**C:** The word which He commanded, for a thousand generations,  
**P:** As newborn babes,  
**C:** Desire the pure milk of the word,  
**P:** That you may grow thereby,  
**C:** If indeed you have tasted that the Lord is gracious.  
**P:** GLORY BE TO GOD!  
**ALL:** ♪ “Glory be to the Father...”

*~ The Collect ~*

- P:** Let us pray - Grant, almighty God, that we who have celebrated the mystery of the Lord’s resurrection may by the help of Your grace bring forth the fruits thereof in our life and conduct; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.  
**ALL:** "A - - men"

## Scripture Readings

“These are written that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that believing you may have life in His name.” - *John 20:31*

First Lesson ~ Acts 3:12-20 And when Peter saw it, he answered unto the people, Ye men of Israel, why marvel ye at this? or why look ye so earnestly on us, as though by our own power or holiness we had made this man to walk? 13 The God of Abraham, and of Isaac, and of Jacob, the God of our fathers, hath glorified his Son Jesus; whom ye delivered up, and denied him in the presence of Pilate, when he was determined to let him go. 14 But ye denied the Holy One and the Just, and desired a murderer to be granted unto you; 15 And killed the Prince of life, whom God hath raised from the dead; whereof we are witnesses. 16 And his name through faith in his name hath made this man strong, whom ye see and know: yea, the faith which is by him hath given him this perfect soundness in the presence of you all. 17 And now, brethren, I wot that through ignorance ye did it, as did also your rulers. 18 But those things, which God before had shewed by the mouth of all his prophets, that Christ should suffer, he hath so fulfilled. 19 Repent ye therefore, and be converted, that your sins may be blotted out, when the times of refreshing shall come from the presence of the Lord; 20 And he shall send Jesus Christ, which before was preached unto you:

P: Hallelujah, Hallelujah! Christ, having been raised from the dead, dies no more. Death no longer has dominion over Him. Hallelujah! Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have believed. Hallelujah!

ALL: ♪ Hallelujah! Hallelujah! Hallelujah!\_\_\_\_\_

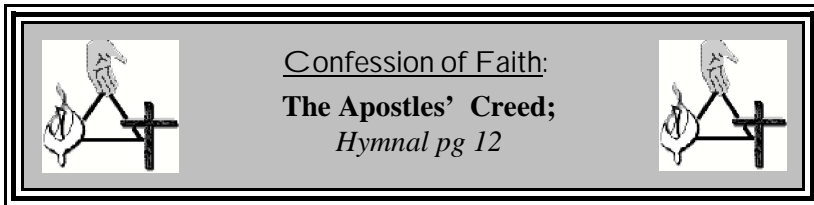
P: Our second lesson comes to us from the first epistle of John, chapter 5, beginning with the first verse.

C: ♪ Glory be to Thee, O Lord!

Gospel Lesson ~ 1 John 5:1-6 Whosoever believeth that Jesus is the Christ is born of God: and every one that loveth him that begat loveth him also that is begotten of him. 2 By this we know that we love the children of God, when we love God, and keep his commandments. 3 For this is the love of God, that we keep his commandments: and his commandments are not grievous. 4 For whatsoever is born of God overcometh the world: and this is the victory that overcometh the world, even our faith. 5 Who is he that overcometh the world, but he that believeth that Jesus is the Son of God? 6 This is he that came by water and blood, even Jesus Christ; not by water only, but by water and blood. And it is the Spirit that beareth witness, because the Spirit is truth.

P: So far the Word.

C: ♪ Praise be to Thee, O Christ!



Hymn 293

*"O Holy Spirit, Grant Us Grace"*

*~ The Sermon ~*

John 20:19-31 Then, the same day at evening, being the first day of the week, when the doors were shut where the disciples were assembled, for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood in the midst, and said to them, "Peace be with you." 20 When He had said this, He showed them His hands and His side. Then the disciples were glad when they saw the Lord. 21 So Jesus said to them again, "Peace to you! As the Father has sent Me, I also send you." 22 And when He had said this, He breathed on them, and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. 23 "If

you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained." 24 Now Thomas, called the Twin, one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. 25 The other disciples therefore said to him, "We have seen the Lord." So he said to them, "Unless I see in His hands the print of the nails, and put my finger into the print of the nails, and put my hand into His side, I will not believe." 26 And after eight days His disciples were again inside, and Thomas with them. Jesus came, the doors being shut, and stood in the midst, and said, "Peace to you!" 27 Then He said to Thomas, "Reach your finger here, and look at My hands; and reach your hand here, and put it into My side. Do not be unbelieving, but believing." 28 And Thomas answered and said to Him, "My Lord and my God!" 29 Jesus said to him, "Thomas, because you have seen Me, you have believed. Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have believed." 30 And truly Jesus did many other signs in the presence of His disciples, which are not written in this book; 31 but these are written that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that believing you may have life in His name.

THE RISEN LORD  
ENTERS THROUGH CLOSED DOORS!

The Offertory

P: Christ is risen from the dead, and has become the firstfruits of those who have fallen asleep. For since by man came death, by Man also came the resurrection of the dead. For as in Adam all die, even so in Christ all shall be made alive. (1 Cor 15:20-22)

♪ He is arisen! Glorious word!  
Now reconciled is God, my Lord;  
The gates of heaven are open.  
My Jesus did triumphant die,  
And Satan's arrows broken lie,  
Destroyed hell's direst weapon.  
Oh, hear What cheer!  
Christ victorious Riseth glorious,  
Life He giveth--  
He was dead, but see, He liveth! Amen. (TLH 189)

~ Offering of Thankful Hearts ~  
 ~ Prayers and Lord's Prayer ~  
 ~ The Benediction ~

**WELCOME TO YOU ALL!** We rejoice at the opportunity to share with you the hope that is within us. We pray that you might ever desire to learn more about the Light of the world, Jesus Christ. If you are visiting and would like to learn more about our church, our teachings, or today's service please speak with the pastor. We hope you may be able to join us again! We ask that our visitors record their visit by signing our guest register.

**PARENTS:** We would like to have the children sing their Easter hymn NEXT Sunday! If you could help them refresh the words, that would be a great addition to our worship service. Hymn #732:1 and 4

Also - please begin thinking about possible VBS dates this summer. It will be here before we know it! If we stick to the schedule we've used the last couple of years we would hold it the week prior to Harvest Festival in August.

This week at Prince of Peace . . .

Today

- 9:00 Hecla Worship Service
- 10:15 Bible Class / Sunday School (NT 41 The Resurrection)
- 3:00 Ipswich Worship Service
- 5:00 Bowdle Worship Service

Wednesday

- 5:00 Confirmation in Oakes

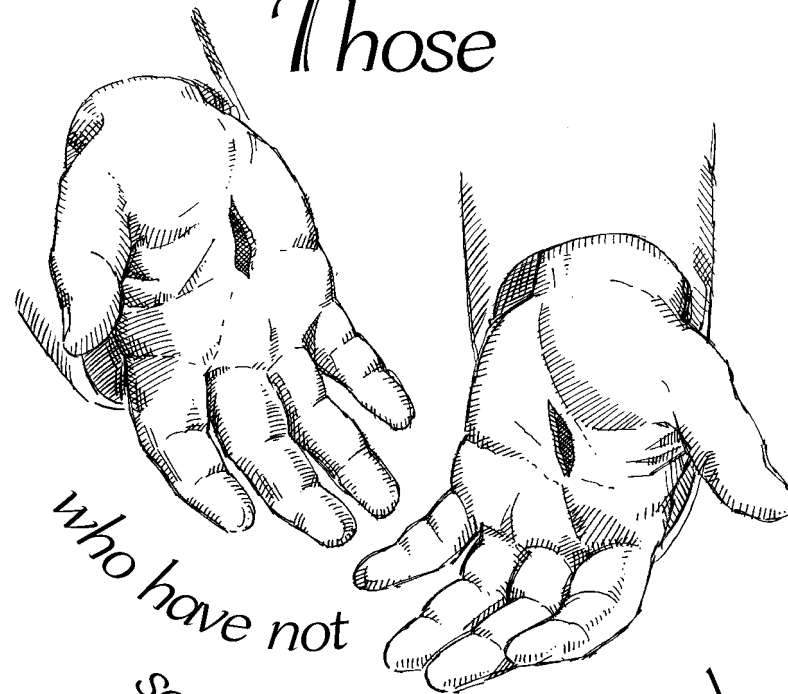
Sunday, April 26

- 9:00 Hecla Worship Service
- 10:15 Bible Class / Sunday School (OT52)
- 3:00 Ipswich Worship Service
- 5:00 Bowdle Worship Service

Thursday, April 30

- 2:00 Ipswich / Bowdle Shut-in Visits
- 7:00 Aberdeen Bible Study (?)

Blessed  
are  
Those



who have not  
seen and yet have believed.

John 20:29

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